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OSWALD * RUBY RELATIONSHIP

Betty Dunagan saw Lee Oswald in the Carousel Club within the first two weeks of November, 1963. This man was wearing a white V neck sweater. She stated that, "Jack Ruby came and got this man and walked back to his office and stayed 15 to 20 minutes." (CD #81 C PP. 34-35)

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Bill De Mar, presently residing at Shady Oaks Motel, Cabin 8, located at 1512 Fort Worth Avenue, RI 70065, advised he is employed as a ventriloquist and for the past few weeks has worked at the Carousel Club located at 1312½ Commerce Street, this being the fourth time he has worked at this spot. A photo of Lee Oswald, New Orleans Police Department No. 112723, taken August 9, 1963, was exhibited to De Mar, and De Mar said he believes this is the man he saw seated among patrons of the Carousel Club, "one night last week." De Mar advised last week that he works seven nights a week and therefore is unable to recall which particular night he observed Oswald seated in the group around the runway in the club and due to the seating arrangement in this club, he, De Mar, would be unable to say whether or not Oswald had a party or group with him at the time he was seen.

De Mar advised to the best of his recollection he had never seen Oswald at the club previously and had no information as to any associations that Oswald might have had at the Carousel Club, Dallas.

De Mar, stated he in addition to his ventriloquist act, puts on a memory demonstration and he believes Oswald was among a number of persons at the club that was used by him in preforming this memory demonstration. (CD 4 Volume 3 PP. 775)

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J. B. Wise, 2107 Bennett Avenue, bookkeeper, Commercial Tire Company, 1628 Industrial Blvd., advised that Mr. A. G. Wahrmund, 4637 San Jacinto Street, Apart. 1, informed him that his son, Karl Wahrmund lost two accounts when Ruby shot Oswald.

Wise continued that Karl remarked that he was in the Carousel Club approx. two weeks ago and observed Lee Harvey Oswald in the club. Karl assumed that Oswald worked there, but did not speak to Oswald. He advised that this information came from the older Wahrmund and he had no additional information concerning the association between Oswald and Ruby. (CD 4 Volume 3 PP 786)

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Herbert B. Braden, 209 East Main, Waxahachie, Texas, furnished the following information.

On Nov. 26, 1963, Braden and his attorney Warwick Jenkins, overheard conversation between Dorthey Markham who is employed by J. B. Cowan Motor Co. and other employees of this company. Dorothy Markham related that her aunt, Mrs. Billie (Last name unknown) was employed by Jack Ruby at the Carousel Club, Dallas. Dorothys aunt Billie reportedly told Dorothy on Sunday Nov. 24, 1963, that Lee Oswald had worked for Ruby at the club in June or July of 1963. (CD 4 Volume 3 PP. 795)

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Donald C. Stuart, 121 Pleasant Drive, Dallas, advised that he has been associated with Robert K. Patterson in the operation of Contract Electrical at 2533 Elm Street in Dallas. Stuart examined a photo of Lee Oswald and advised that he cannot be sure at this time whether or not Oswald is identical to the person who accompanied Jack Ruby into his store. He believed this person may have had thicker hair than Oswald. He further advised this individual as a white male, age in the 20's, about 140 lbs., slight build, dark brown hair. He did not say much and stayed very close to Ruby. He believed Ruby introduced this man, but he cannot recall the name. He also believed Ruby stated this man worked for him. A check of records shows that Ruby did enter this store in reference to materials for his club. (CD 4 Volume 3 PP804)

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The following investigation was conducted by SA's Glenn E. Silvay and David D. Byerly;

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

On Nov. 25, 1963, the morning addition of the Daily Oklahoman, Nov. 25, 1963, contained the following article captioned, "Country man tells of Oswald, Ruby."

"Lee Harvey Oswald and Jack Ruby were both in a downtown Dallas bar last Sunday but did not meet a Midwest city man who spoke to both, said Sunday.

"Vern Davis, who went to Dallas, to join a showmans club, said Oswald entered Jacks bar in the 800 block exposition. I was buying so I called him over, Davis said.

"Davis quoted Oswald as saying, 'Lyndon Johnson was a nothing senator who got to be a big shot.'

"He was a real bug on Johnson, Davis said. The midwest city man said he spoke to Oswald for about 5 minutes. Soon after, Ruby, an old friend of Davis, entered.

"Davis said he spoke of the upcoming trip of Johnson and Kennedy and specifically mentioned the trip of the President to the Trade Mart where he was to talk.

"Davis said he met Ruby 10 years ago when he was a night clerk in a Dallas hotel and Ruby was running some gambling upstairs. Davis described Ruby as a very calm man. Davis said he was attempting to get admission to the Lone Star Showmans Club, a club of carnival people, and Ruby introduced him to a Cotton Wheeler, and sponsored him to the club.

"Oswald was in the club at the time and everyone thought he was a pest and could do without him.

"Davis said Oswald, who was out of place in his sloppy dress, kept saying, Johnson is nothing. He was very animated in his conversation which nobody was particluarly interested in.

"The general impression was that he, Oswald, did not belong there and was not welcome, Davis said.

"Davis pictured Ruby, who he announced he met 10 years ago in a Dallas synagogue, as soft spoken business man, moderate and business like.
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Harvey Lawill Wade, living at 818 Donaldson Road, Chattanooga, Tenn., employed as a building inspector in the city of East Ridge, Tenn., furnished the following information;

Wade said he attended Southern Building Congress Convention, Dallas, in Nov. 10 - 14, 1963. He arrived the afternoon of November 10, 1963 and stayed at the Baker Hotel, Dallas. At 11 P.M. Nov. 10, Wade visited the Carousel Club alone and remained until 1 A.M. The entertainment consisted of three strippers and emcee Bill Demaris. A stripper wearing a platinum wig invited a customer to dance with her on the stage as part of her act at about 12 midnight. A Carousel employee, a young white male wearing a white waiters jacket, took two flash pijotos with a polaroid-type camera. From the angle the photo was taken, three men seated at the bar connected to the stage on the right side of the night club were between the photographer and the stage and possible in the photo. Wade believed one of these men was Lee Harvey Oswald, who was dressed in a coat length jacket, light colored white dress shirt, open collar, and dark colored pants.

The person believed Oswald accompanied by two unknown men. The number 1 man is described as a white male, early 20's, 5' 8", 140 lbs., long black hair, very fair pale complexion, and slender build. He had no unusual characteristics and wore a dark colored suit. He resembled Oswald in appearance.

The number 2 man is described as a white male, 30-32, 200 lbs., 5' 10", stocky build, long black hair, dark complexion, oval face, and Mexican or Spanish in appearance. He had numerous bumps on his face and was believed to have a one inch scar in the eyebrow of his left eye.

The customer on the stage with the stripper was a white male, 5' 10", 35 years old, 180 lbs., flat top dark hair, dress not recalled, and was at the table with one girl and three or four men.

The customer on the stage with the stripper was a man unknown to Wade.

The waitress who waited on Wade and the three meni in the group, including the person believed to be Oswald, is described as a white female, 37 or 38, 5' 1", 110 lbs., black grey hair shoulder length, ruddy complexion and a very small face.

Bill Demaris, emcee, made the statement, following photographing, that they were blackmail purposes. Jack Ruby walked over to the photographer, talkedt to him and yelled that the photos did not turn out. The emcee had a memory skit. The person believed to be Oswald and friends were in the club when Wade arrived and still at the table when Wade departed. Wade said Oswald also took part in the memory skit of Demaris. Wade was seated within 10 feet of the person believed to be Oswald and his group. Wade alone did not see anyone during the visit known to him. He believes he could identify photos of the men accompanying the person believed Oswald.

The person believed Oswald and his friends were not observed talking to anyone outside their group while at the club. He estimated 75 to 80 customers were present when he arrived and 25 or less when he departed. Wade had no further information. (CD # Volume 3 PP. 789-790)